

RESOLUTION NO. 20 - 2016

RECOGNIZING Syirra Roberts for her extraordinary academic accomplishments and community service achievements, all while overcoming personal adversity; **EXPRESSING** the appreciation of the Mayor and the Council of the City of Cincinnati for Syirra's commitment to academic excellence; and **NAMING** Syirra Roberts as the recipient of the 2016 City of Cincinnati Youth Award.

WHEREAS, Syirra Roberts has demonstrated academic excellence by ranking fifteenth in her 2016 graduating class at James N. Gamble Montessori High School with a grade point average of 3.0 while engaging in a rigorous course of study that included AP Statistics and achieving recognition this year as an Anthony Munoz Straight A Award recipient; and

WHEREAS, Syirra Roberts was elected Chairman of peer leadership at her school, is a member of the Key Club, Cincinnati Youth Collaborative, participates in AmeriCorps Ohio College Guide Program, plays volleyball, cheers, and serves on the Graduation Committee; and

WHEREAS, Syirra Roberts maintained academic excellence while both engaging in community service and volunteer activities at Vision Day Care as a teacher aide, Brookwood Retirement Community, and James N. Gamble Montessori High School; and

WHEREAS, despite having experienced hardship in her household, Syirra Roberts stays positive and prioritizes her future, makes the attainment of a college education a personal goal, works hard to achieve that goal without letting the negatives in her environment become obstacles, and motivates herself to keep everything in perspective and to find the best in every situation; and

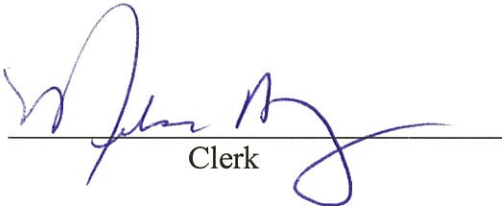
WHEREAS, Syirra Roberts' hard work, academic excellence, and community service have earned her the Anthony Munoz Straight A award and acceptance to University of Cincinnati where she will be attending college beginning this fall; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the Mayor and Council of the City of Cincinnati recognize the academic excellence of Syirra Roberts and express sincere appreciation for her accomplishments, and hereby name her as the first recipient of the 2016 City of Cincinnati Youth Award.

Section 2. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of Council and that copies be sent to Syirra Roberts of Cincinnati.

Passed: April 20, 2016

Attest: 
Clerk


John Cranley, Mayor

Submitted by Councilmember Yvette Simpson